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"	1.00 "	.75
"	1.25 "	.98
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"	1.25
"	1.50
"	2.00
"	2.50
"	2.75
"	3.00
"	4.00
"	5.00

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NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

—OF—
Blackbird Hundred!

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USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

Chopped beef or pork cracklings are good to use in Indian bread, which is usually served warm, or they may be mixed with bread and mashed potato seasoned and fried like sausage.

Melted beef drippings or tallow can be used in the place of paraffin over the top of jelly. Be sure when cold to cover the space around the edge where it has shrunk away from the glass.

To make perpetual paste, dissolve half an ounce of alum in two teaspoonfuls of boiling water, beat in an equal weight of flour, add a few drops of oil of cloves and let boil. This will keep for months.

Here is a good use for left-over oatmeal: Make a batter as for bread, add the oatmeal and beat in well. Put in a little lively yeast, and let stand over night. Add a little salt and soda and bake on a pancake griddle. An egg or two is an improvement.

After coming in out of the rain let the umbrella down and stand it on the handle that it may dry in this position. The water will drip from the edges of the frame and the cover dry uniformly. When placed with the handle upward, as it frequently is, the water runs to the top of the umbrella, and the moisture is there retained in the lining underneath the ring, causing the silk or fabric with which the frame is covered to become tender and soon rot. Ordinarily the top of an umbrella worn out sooner than any other part of it, and in the majority of cases may be thus accounted for.

A woman who has worn black for years says she keeps her clothes fresh with a mixture made as follows: Buy 5 cents' worth of borax and 10 cents' worth of camphor gum. Put them into a large bowl, breaking the camphor gum into small pieces. Pour over this a quart of boiling water, stirring to dissolve the borax. All the camphor will not dissolve. When cool, put into a bottle and cork tightly. When ready to use it pour a little into a basin, diluting it with half the quantity of cold water. Wet a stocking with this and sponge your black goods, pressing afterward. This will remove all spots and grease and restore the black.

Lettuce and celery may be kept fresh and crisp for several days by wrapping in a cloth wrung out of cold water and then pinning the whole in a thick newspaper.

If instead of spirits of camphor, camphorated oil be used in cleaning furniture, it will not only remove the white stains but restore the polish as well.

Rub hair brushes with flour; when quite clean, remove all traces of flour with a dry towel. This method preserves the varnish on the wood and prevents the bristles from becoming soft.

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SCIENTIFIC NOTES

"Vegetable milk" is used in Japan. It is made from the soja bean. The liquid is exactly like cow's milk in appearance, and in taste can hardly be distinguished from it. To make it the beans are first soaked and then boiled in water. Some sugar and phosphate of potassium are added, and it is boiled down till it has the consistency of condensed milk.

With all the water which passes over Niagara Falls the little city at the brink of the great precipice, and which bears its name, has long had a water supply which left much to be desired. The first step toward bettering this condition has just been made by the appointment of a Commission to take the subject in hand and make a report. What seems to be the most feasible plan is to carry a tunnel under the river to the Canadian side, where, it is asserted, the water is of finer quality than that obtainable on the American side. All the industrial companies located at the falls are in favor of an improved water supply. The present system is controlled by two companies, which are not very energetic, and the service is unsatisfactory. The new project will cost several million dollars, and after the plans are perfected, the details arranged, the scheme must be presented to the citizens of the town for ratification.

A fight for a two-cent cable rate between England and America has been inaugurated by John Heniker Heaton, a member of the British Parliament, who led the fight for a two-cent postal rate. It is proposed for the two Governments to acquire possession of the existing cables and to operate them for public benefit.

At the present time the cables are worked at about one-twelfth of their total capacity, and it is argued that the margin offered for increased business would make the two-cent rate profitable.

Electric trucks have been introduced by the company which controls nearly all the docks of the Brooklyn water front with great success. Formerly trucks run on three wheels were used, and these were drawn by horses. The matter of transportation by this means was always necessarily slow, and the action of the feet of the animals tramping constantly over the wood covering of the piers made the item of repairs a very heavy one.

The new trucks carry three times as much as the horse-drawn ones, besides reducing the item of dock repairs to a minimum.

A new system of illumination is offered by the discovery of Professor Blau of Germany, which is a liquid illuminating gas to be delivered at the houses of customers at regular periods in much the same manner as coal oil and other commodities are delivered at the present time. A 22-pound cylinder of gas is sufficient to supply a 50-candle-power light for four months if used four hours per day. The means of connection between the burner and the reservoir is through a fine tube no thicker than an electric light wire and just as flexible.

The fish canals of Alaska are being sent over the world in quantities as curiosities.

Asphaltic layers have been found in Syria, near Klerie, a village about 25 miles northeast of the port of Latakia, along the road leading toward Aleppo, which have been declared by competent mining engineers to be not only rich in asphalt, but also practically inexhaustible.

Coal production in Michigan in 1907 is 51 per cent. greater in quantity and value than in 1906 and the largest ever recorded in that State. The total output for the year was 2,035,858 short tons, having a local value of \$3,680,833, as against the previous record in 1905 of 1,473,211 short tons. Of the 1907 total 29.9 per cent., or 608,718 short tons was machine mined.

During the meeting in Chicago of the Republican Convention no less than 5,500,000 words were sent by telegraph. The two telegraph companies and the several press associations had prepared to handle 1,200,000 words a day from the convention hall, and large corps of bicycle messengers were organized to take overflow matter to the main city offices.

The Western Union Company had 110 circuits from Chicago to New York City, and 150 expert operators were on duty. In addition to those detailed from the Chicago staff. The Postal Telegraph Company had 135 extra operators on duty.

The most powerful engine ever put in an automobile is one of six cylinders and 200-horsepower in a French racing machine. In its preliminary trials it is reported to have attained an average speed of 125 miles an hour.

Naturally, San Francisco leads the list in the increased building operation statistics. The total number of building permits issued in San Francisco during 1907 was 12,126 for buildings to cost \$91,502,240, an increase of 162 per cent. over the building in 1906.

Taking the building operations of this whole country into consideration 90.88 per cent. were for wooden structures and 93.12 per cent. for fire-resisting buildings but the cost of the latter amounts to 72.67 per cent. of the total.

Six gates weighing 20,000 pounds each will be used at the Roosevelt dam in connection with the Salt River project being erected by the United States Reclamation Service. The gates will be subjected to a total maximum pressure of 80,000 pounds.

The new fire boats James Duane and Thomas Willett, built for the New York Fire Department, enjoy the double distinction of being the largest boats used for this purpose and the first boats of this character fitted with turbine-driven pumps. They have a deck length of 131 feet, beam 27 feet and depth of 14 feet. On a high steel water lift, on the two deck turrets, and above the pilot house, four 3-inch nozzles are mounted, from which a total of 12,000 gallons of water per minute can be thrown, while the boat is moving at full speed. When only one of these nozzles is left open and the pumps are connected in series, a pressure of 315 pounds at the pumps and of 230 pounds at the nozzle throws a stream of water to a height of 300 gallons per minute to a height of 300 feet and a distance of over 400 feet.

A noted English physician would have everybody eat a quarter of a pound of sweets daily. He says: "Nothing is more strengthening than sugar. It is possible to work for hours after eating four ounces of chocolate without feeling the slightest fatigue. If I had my way every soldier in the British army should be allowed a quarter of a pound of sweets every day. My practice is to take five or six lumps of sugar in every cup of coffee or tea."

The old belief was that sweets of all kinds were bad as food and interfered with digestion. But we know now that they are real food, and are especially good for us when we are fatigued or nervous. Children are unreasonably active and they are always craving something sweet. The craving comes from an actual bodily need.—Louisiana Planter.

THE COUNTY FAIR

Carpenters have begun work at the Gentlemen's Driving Park, where the New Castle County Fair to be held September 1st to 4th, and the stalls for cattle, sheep, swine and horses are rapidly assuming definite shape. The booths for the mercantile bazaar are also being built, and this will be a very attractive feature of the fair. Many merchants have taken space, the following names being handed in to the committee: Worcester Salt Co., Lawton & Co., James C. O'Neal, August Ferselke, R. E. Moore Co., Woodward & Bro., W. & J. Lang, Middletown Farms, Jay J. Truitt, Mercantile Association and International Correspondence Schools.

Several large entries of live stock have been received. Exhibitors should remember that entries in this department will not be received after to-day.

The poultry classes are filling with good entries, and Charles Speakman, superintendent in this department, will be glad to give any information or assist any prospective exhibitors in making early entries.

Mr. Ballet's trained and educated mice will attract much attention, and the management is very much gratified at having this valuable display. These mice are all blue ribbon winners, Mr. Ballet having shown them at Madison Square, in New York, at the Federation of Mouse Fanciers of America, of which she is one of the vice-presidents.

Dr. Gillfillan's bees will also be shown again, and as usual Dr. Gillfillan will give interesting talks daily on "Bee Culture."

Judges in the grain and forage department and two or three of the horse classes will be announced in a day or two.

MUST RESPECT THE LAW

The Delaware Game Protective Association has given notice to gunners that it will enforce the law which prohibits killing and rail birds anywhere in the State before September 1st, the date upon which the season for shooting these birds opens. The penalty for killing these birds is \$5 apiece, which is rather dear gunning. Before non-residents can gun, even after the season opens, they must procure certificates of membership in the association, which will entitle them to the privilege of gunning. The penalty for non-compliance with the law in this regard is from \$5 to \$50.

Each year much annoyance is caused by persons who violate the law. Foreigners who cannot understand the English language have been the chief offenders in the past. Some of them either know nothing about the game laws or pretend they do not, and go gunning whenever they find a favorable opportunity, but the game association has detectives all over the State, and in the past few years it has not been possible to do much illegal gunning.

Some years ago the Legislature amended the deed and rail bird law so as to make the season open on the 25th of August, one week before the 1st of September, but it was found that that was too early and the law was changed so as to restore the original time for opening the season.

COMPULSORY SCHOOL LAW

Our past school year was the first under the compulsory school law. It is not generally known that the State of Delaware is one of the most liberal States in the Union, in the support of its public schools. In rural districts scarcely one-half of the expense of maintaining the school is borne by the local taxation. Yet in spite of this liberality, our Legislature found from statistics submitted at the last session that Delaware ranked number 37 in the matter of illiteracy among the States of the Union. People are taxed to keep schools open whether they have children or not, and the Legislature felt their children should be placed under a legal obligation to send their children, at least under fourteen years of age, to school a portion of the year and not be permitted to squander willfully the money provided so liberally to assist in the task of making their children intelligent and patriotic citizens.

WORSE IN THE CITY

Although the farmer seems to have gotten it on all sides this year, yet if he will stop to think about it a moment he will see that even then he is much better off than his brother in the city. This year the strawberry crop was poor, the potato crop good, but the wheat crop was under, while the peaches and tomatoes will not amount to so much. Probably the farmer has made but little, yet he is sure of enough to eat next winter, a home to live in, and a fire to keep him warm. On the other hand the man in the city has little hopes of work. Times are harder there than we even imagine. Big places like Baldwin's works in Philadelphia, are running with a few men, and without prospect of work with rent to pay in advance, gas, coal and food to provide, the man from any large city would gladly change places with the country farmer.

Substitute For Hard Rubber

An Englishman has taken out a patent on a composition which he says has all the properties of hard rubber, but is much cheaper. Tarbark and sulphur are used in its preparation. A coarse black powder is said to result from stirring these materials when heated. Later the product is ground fine and placed in a mold under the proper pressure. If heat is then applied to the mold, says the inventor, the contents set into a hard, durable mass.

Flexible Glue

A flexible glue for attaching leather to metals may be made by adding one part of Venetian turpentine to four parts of glue. The mass is heated in a glue pot as usual until it becomes sticky and ceases to give off bubbles. It works best when fresh.

FARM NEWS AND VIEWS

The dairy cow is of three-fold value: She produces a constant income, she produces a valuable offspring, and she improves the quality of the farm.

It has been found that fowls with deep angular breastbones have to be fed longer to make them look well, and they consume considerably more feed than those having plump breastbones.

An English stock journal tells of a famous veterinary surgeon who was once called on to decide a question of blindness in a horse, concerning which two London vets. differed. He entered the yard where the horse stood and, without examining the animal's eyes, ordered a halter to be put on him and an empty bucket to be placed in the middle of the yard. Then taking the halter he led the horse in a direct line for the bucket. The horse went forward and blundered over it with his forelegs. "Blind, without a doubt," was the verdict.

While on actual analysis it does not contain all of the plant-food needed by the growing crop, barnyard manure really returns to the soil nearly all the elements taken by the crop, by making available the surplus plant food existing in the soil, but useless for assimilation by the plant till rendered active by fermentation.

The bees are more easily angered in August than during any other period of the year. Honey is scarce in the fields, and if any is left open about the house they will surely hunt for it, and sting cruelly if disturbed.

It is said that a hen has the capacity of laying 600 eggs in her life time and no more.

A horse can carry on his back a distance of 20 miles a day on a well made road, with exertion, from 250 to 300 pounds.

It is estimated that the orchard pests do over \$30,000,000 worth of damage to the fruit of the country every year.

The farmers of the United States last year purchased more than \$12,000,000 worth of farming implements.

The Department of Agriculture estimates the corn crop this year at 2,700,000,000 bushels, valued at about \$1,250,000,000.

When a horse is noticed rubbing his tail at the root it is an indication that he is troubled with worms. Equal parts of salt and hardwood ashes mixed, a teaspoonful at a time now and then in the grain, is a good remedy.

Horses are frequently troubled with coughs, colds, distemper and lung trouble, frequently attributed to dusty hay.

Ground flax is an excellent substitute for butter fat to be fed to calves. Use a heaping teaspoonful to every feed of milk while the calf is from 2 to 6 weeks old, providing you are feeding milk milk. As the calf grows older gradually increase the flaxseed meal until the calf is getting about a heaping tablespoonful with each feed. This flaxseed may be mixed with the milk, but never cornmeal or any other ground feed that contains a good deal of starch, with the milk, as that is very apt to produce scours. The reason for that is that starch foods must be mixed with saliva before digestion can take place, and anything that is drunk with the milk does not become mixed with the saliva, and consequently it fails to become digested and acts as an irritant to the alimentary tract.

Spontaneous combustion of clover hay happens under the following conditions: Hay, 15 to 20 feet deep; centre of mow packed hard, sides loose; mow much open to the weather. Prevention: Keep hay evenly distributed over the mow while it is being stored, and regulate the ventilation if possible, so as to have the air circulate over the top of the hay rather than through it.

No amount of harrowing or afterwork can entirely overcome the effects of bad plowing to begin with. Plowing is the foundation of the crop to follow. A man who can drop a straight furrow is one who keeps pretty close watch of his plow. He may hold his handles loosely, and appear to be plowing very

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Republican Ticket!

For President:
WILLIAM H. TAFT,
OF OHIO.

For Vice President:
JAMES S. SHERMAN,
OF NEW YORK.

THE BALTIMORE SUN FOR TAFT

The most significant and, by all odds, the most influential event of the past week in Maryland politics, is the *Baltimore Sun's* announcement of its determination to support Mr. Taft, and the lucid, judicial-minded editorial in which it sets forth the reasons which have led it to this decision. We have no doubt that the *Sun* has taken this stand only after the most careful and perhaps painful deliberation. It is no light and jaunty affair for such a journal, holding such a relation as the *Sun* holds to the Democratic party and the Democratic voters of Maryland, to have to refuse its support to the nominee of its party. Only the most constraining reasons could lead it to such a step. But the *Sun* feels that it has those reasons and sets them forth in the editorial mentioned with great simplicity and temperance, but with very convincing force. We quote:—

"It is the judgment of the *Sun* that the material welfare of the people of the United States—industrial and financial—would be promoted to a greater degree by the election of Mr. Taft than by the election of Mr. Bryan; that their rights would be safeguarded as carefully by Mr. Taft as by Mr. Bryan.

"The *Sun* is convinced that the 'arm of the law,' personified by a President of balanced judgment, with a thorough knowledge of the law—a man of steady purpose, just and resolute—would prove a better defender of the rights of the people, would do more to promote their normal welfare, than the Big Stick has done in the hands of Mr. Roosevelt or than the Big Club should do in the hands of Mr. Bryan. It is our deliberate judgment that for the next four years the material interests of the people would be safer with Mr. Taft at the head of the national Government than with Mr. Bryan. We further believe that while lawbreakers would be brought to account by Mr. Taft with as little fear or favor as Mr. Bryan could display, the methods employed by Mr. Taft would not curtail the workingman's opportunities for employment by disturbing the business of law-abiding men and corporations, as has been witnessed in the last few years. Mr. Taft's experience in important administrative posts, his judicial temperament, his patience and thoroughness in investigation, justify the belief that as President he would execute the law faithfully and well, but not speculate. And while this type of man ought to be in the White House all the time, he seems to be especially needed now, when the country is emerging from an industrial and financial depression, which brought distress and suffering into many homes.

"We do not question Mr. Bryan's sincerity or his devotion to the interests of the people. But we believe that the material welfare of the nation would be safer in the hands of a President of Mr. Taft's temperament and calm judgment, and for this reason we favor his election to the Presidency.

"We believe the election of Mr. Taft would tend to hasten the restoration of prosperous business conditions. We believe that his administration will be prudent. Therefore we support him from a sense of public duty."

Files are thick just at this time, pestering the good housewife—and politicians are running up candidate thicker than cannon at the charge at Baltimore. With this difference, they are unusually modest in their demands and wonderfully social. There is meaning in that. Many of them have begun to realize and allow for the independent voter. It is well nigh time they did.

I note also, with all the police force now on duty Saturday evenings that the old nuisance of sidewalk blockades by negroes, still continues. The officers walk up and down the streets with never an effort to disperse them. It is positively a disgrace to our own town, when our wives and daughters cannot go out of a Saturday evening without being jostled and crowded by a lot of "negroes," whose actions and conversation are not calculated to edify or please the eye or the ear of a refined person, male or female. How long would the authorities permit white folks to act as they do? It is time there was a change either in the officers or the town authorities.

The base ball fever is on pretty heavy just now, and the boys are doing well. I am glad they have such a good place to play, and I would give the manager a hint "don't advertise one thing and do another, say what you mean and stick to it, don't advertise a game at 2:30 and wait until 3. You fool your patrons and they will not take the same interest after. If you cannot or do not mean to start your game until 3, say so on your posters, it will pay the best." I note also the wonderful improvement in building that has been going on this year. New residences and old ones rebuilt and beautiful. It is a good sign of prosperity, which it surely indicates, in spite of the calamity howlers. We have a beautiful town, growing more so every year, and if some of our monied men could be induced to bring or start some manufacturing industry here, there would be many more beautiful homes and increased business for our merchants and a healthier competition in trade that would not only benefit the town dweller but the farmer as well in the increased demand for his product.

M. A. T.

Constitutional Amendment!

An Act Proposing an Amendment to Section 15 of Article 2 of the Constitution of the State of Delaware, relating to the Compensation of the Members and Presiding Officers of the General Assembly. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met; (two-thirds of all the members elected to each House agreeing): That the following amendment be and the same is hereby proposed to Section 15 of Article 2 of the Constitution of Delaware:

"That the word 'five' be stricken out of the third line of said Section 15 Article 2 of the Constitution, and the word 'ten' be inserted in lieu thereof, and the word 'six' be stricken out of the fourth line of said Section 15, Article 2 of the Constitution, and the word 'twelve' be inserted in lieu thereof.

RICHARD HOLGSON, Speaker of the House, ISAAC T. PARKER, President of the Senate, J. Joseph L. Cahall, Secretary of State, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of House Bill No. 312, entitled "An Act Proposing an Amendment to Section 15 of Article 2 of the Constitution of the State of Delaware, relating to the Compensation of the Members and Presiding Officers of the General Assembly," as the same appears on the enrolled bill filed in the office of the Secretary of State, which said bill proposing such amendment to the Constitution of this State is published in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution of the state.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Dover, this twenty-fifth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eight.

JOS. L. CAHALL, Secretary of State.

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REGISTER'S ORDER.

OFFICE OF REGISTER OF WILLS, NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DEL., Mar. 3, 1908. Upon the application of Emily Whitlock, late of St. Georges Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the estate of said deceased be and the same is hereby proposed to Section 15 of Article 2 of the Constitution of Delaware:

Notwithstanding the falling off in the tomato crop this season, the total pack of tomatoes in Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey this year will be 5,500,000 cases, each case containing two dozen cans, according to official reports. Of this number the packers in Maryland, including Baltimore, will contribute one-half, the remainder being divided between Delaware and New Jersey. The pack in Delaware will exceed that of New Jersey. The packing season is now under way and the packers have contracted to pay growers from \$7 to \$9 a ton for fruit.

But for the recent drought and subsequent rains—the rain (damaging) on plants—the tomato yield this year would probably equal the bumper pack of last season—8,000,000 cases. As it is the pack will average 70 per cent of last year's total.

Few of the packers handle corn, but it is stated that corn has suffered more from the drought this year than tomatoes.

WON'T STAND TRIAL

HURLOCK, Mo., August 17th.—Rev. S. P. Shipman, of Hurlock, who was recently beaten soundly by Thomas Carw, of Dames Quarter, Md., when, it is alleged he found the pastor in a room with his wife, will leave the ministry rather than face a church trial.

A committee of preachers who were investigating Rev. Mr. Shipman's statement that he had been tempted by the woman had been told by Carw's attorney that if Shipman was tempted it was not in vain. Then Shipman made up his mind to quit. He is still suffering from the midnight beating received at the hands of Carw.

Address: Martin B. Burris, Esq., Attorney-at-Law, Middletown, Delaware.

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NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

OF

St. Georges Hundred!

The taxable residents of St. Georges Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1908 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at the office of J. H. EMERSON, in ODessa, on

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26th, 1908 From 9:00 A. M. to 12:00 P. M.

AT HENRY CLEVER'S STORE, IN PORT PENN, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26th, 1908 From 1 P. M. to 4 P. M.

and at the County Tax Collector's Office, South Broad street, Middletown, Del., every Saturday during the month of August from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 30, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED.

Section 3—That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever. And on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January five per centum thereof shall be added thereto.

WALTER BEASTEN, Collector of Taxes for St. Georges Hundred.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

OF

Blackbird Hundred!

The taxable residents of Blackbird Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1908 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be

AT BLACKBIRD, WATSON'S STORE AUGUST 24th, 1908. From 2 to 4 P. M.

AT FLEMING'S LANDING, AUGUST 24th, 1908. From 2 to 4 P. M.

AT DELANEY'S, (DAVIS' STORE) AUGUST 24th, 1908. From 2 to 4 P. M.

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

JOHN BEITH, Collector of Taxes for Blackbird Hundred

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

OF

APPOQUINIMINK HUNDRED!

The taxable residents of Appoquinimink Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1908 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be

AT THE OFFICE OF GEORGE M. D. HART, IN TOWNESEND, DEL.,

SATURDAYS, AUGUST 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, 1908. From 1 to 5 o'clock, P. M.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY:

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

An abatement of 5 per centum will be allowed on all taxes paid during the month of August.

WILLIAM C. MONEY, Collector of Taxes for Appoquinimink Hundred

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All our low shoes in men, women and children and in both black and tan will now be sold at greatly reduced prices as the end of the season is approaching.

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OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, 1908

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Subject to the rules of the Republican Party.

For Sheriff

OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, 1908

Charles H. Lippincott

OF WILMINGTON HUNDRED

Subject to the decision of the Republican Party.

For Receiver of Taxes and County Treasurer

OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, 1908

ROBERT M. BURNS

OF WILMINGTON HUNDRED

Subject to the decision of the Republican Party.

For County Comptroller

1908

C. CANBY HOPKINS

Subject to the decision of the Republican Party.

For Coroner

OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY 1908

James H. Callaway

Subject to the decision of Republican Party.

For County Comptroller

OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY 1908

Philemma Chandler

Subject to the decision of the Republican Party.

For County Commissioner

1908

of the Sixth District, comprising Pencader and St. Georges Hundreds,

JOHN W. DAYETT

OF PENCADER HUNDRED

Subject to the decision of the Republican Party.

For County Commissioner

1908

of the Sixth District, comprising Pencader and St. Georges Hundreds,

Warren O. Armstrong

OF PENCADER HUNDRED

Subject to the decision of the Republican Party.

For Assessor

ST. GEORGES HUNDRED

JOSEPH A. SUYDAM

OF MIDDLETOWN

Subject to the decision of the Republican Party.

For Assessor

ST. GEORGES HUNDRED

GEORGE W. INGRAM

The Middletown Transcript

Mails Close as Follows—
Going North—7:25 a. m., 10:05 a. m., 4:05 p. m., 6:05 p. m., and 9 p. m.
Going South—8:00 a. m., 4:15 p. m., and 9 p. m.
For Odessa—7:50 a. m., 8:30 a. m., 11:30 a. m., 4:30 p. m., and 9 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton and Earlville 9:30 a. m., and 4:30 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., AUG. 22, 1908.

Local News

All the latest styles in wall paper at J. E. GINN'S. Long distance 'phone No. 109.
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Mr. G. L. Cochran has received the agency for the Mitchell and Ford automobiles, and will open a garage and keep an expert who will do all kinds of repairing.

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If you want a black petticoat it should fit snug around the hips. We have them the close-fitting skirt, the latest patent. Come and see them.
A. FOGEL.

FOR RENT.—7-room dwelling and stable adjoining Academy grounds, North Broad street. Possession Sept. 25th.
WM. BROCKSON.

We just received a few more linen skirts, all colors and sizes. The \$2.00 kind, button in front, 98c. If you want one you better come early as they go fast.
A. FOGEL.

The Cochran & Jones Lumber Co. have a full assortment of Lumber at their yard in Georgetown, Md., and are receiving larger quantities of lumber daily for their yard in Middletown. A trial order is solicited.

REMOVAL NOTICE.—Dr. M. B. Burstan, Eye Specialist and Optician, has removed his office to North East corner Broad and Main Sts., second floor of Burstan's Corner Store.

Does your subscription fall due in August? Watch the label on THE TRANSCRIPT coming to you and send your remittance. Remember the postal law only allows us to give you one year's credit. We will appreciate your attending to this matter promptly.

A peach festival and fair for the benefit of St. Rose Catholic Church, Chesapeake City, Md., will be held in the Masonic Hall, Chesapeake City, Md., on the evenings of August 20, 21, and 22. The public is cordially invited to attend.

E. H. Beck Real Estate Broker, has sold the dwelling on Cass St. belonging to Mrs. Anna L. Malster of Baltimore, Md., to Henry Segelken for \$2500. Also the farm belonging to J. J. Marker located at Fieldsboro containing 160 acres to Wilber S. Waters for \$520.

The Republicans of St. Georges hundred will hold a caucus in the Town Hall, in Odessa, on Monday evening next, August 24th, at eight o'clock, at which time local candidates will be discussed and selected. All Republicans are earnestly requested to be present and participate in the selection of good men for all the offices.

Mr. Isaac Green, who resides on the farm of Mrs. W. A. Comery west of town, has in his possession a man's hat, which the owner can have by presenting himself in person, and proving property. At an early hour Saturday morning of last week, Mr. Green heard someone around his chicken house, and opened fire with his shot gun in that direction. In the morning he was surprised to find the intruder had left his hat during the excitement, and at this writing he has not returned to claim his headgear.

While Register in Chancery Joseph C. Jolla was attending the convention of the Knights of Pythias in Boston, he met Grover C. Johnson, a former resident of Middletown, who has forged to the front in "The Hub." Mr. Johnson learned the printing trade and then moved to Boston. He now is the superintendent of the largest directory publishing house in Boston, which turns out dozens of different city directories. He has a fine position there and Mr. Jolla was glad to renew the acquaintance.

That crop conditions in the United States were, in the aggregate, somewhat better (2 per cent.) on August 1 last, than they were a year ago, but slightly (1 per cent.) below a ten year average condition on that date, is the opinion expressed by the crop reporting board of the Department of Agriculture in a supplemental report, the early part of the week reviewing the general crop conditions. The report mentions the crops that are above the average, including winter wheat, hay, cotton and tobacco. Corn, barley, rye, buckwheat, apples and flax are slightly below the average, potatoes being about 5 per cent. and oats nearly 10 per cent. below.

The ladies of Summit Bridge M. E. Church, will hold a festival on Thursday and Friday evenings, August 27th and 28th, and the public is invited to attend.

Fire broke out in the home of Mr. M. Banning on Thursday afternoon, and did some damage in one of the bed rooms, but the flames were extinguished before the firemen arrived.

The Rev. J. A. Arters will conduct services in Forest Presbyterian Church on to-morrow (Sunday) morning, and the public is invited to attend. There will be no service in the evening.

If you want one or more of our \$1.50 or \$1.75 waists for 75c, you better not delay any longer, they are going fast, but there is still enough left to make your choice, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 waists, 75c.

A. FOGEL.

Mr. John W. Dayett, of Coaches Bridge, paid our office a pleasant call on Monday. Mr. Dayett is a candidate for County Commissioner in this district on the Republican ticket, and has many warm friends who will support him at the primaries.

Mr. Isaac Green living near town, had a caller on Monday night. The chicken thief did not secure the fowls, but left his hat. Shot four times and the owner of hat dropped the chickens and left his head gear.

Dr. E. G. Clark has sold his property on Green street to Mr. Manlove D. Wilson who will discontinue farming and occupy his new purchase next March. Dr. Clark has not decided where he will locate, but his many friends here will be sorry to learn of him leaving our town.

News for mothers of girls from 6 to 14. No doubt that you are all waiting for this announcement, as you know it means dollars in your pocket. Our Fall samples of girl's dresses just arrived from New York. \$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00 sample dresses for \$1.98 to \$2.98. Come early as we only get these samples twice a year.

A. FOGEL.

The oyster catching season in local waters will open on September 1st, and from present indications a good season will follow. While it is a little early to make very accurate predictions, some of the oystermen who have been on the oyster grounds say everything at the present time is favorable, and unless there is an unforeseen set back there should be plenty of good oysters.

Unclaimed Letters.—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending Aug. 18: Mrs. Annie E. Cammonille, Mrs. Virginia Daniel, Mrs. Mary E. Pierce, R. F. D. No. 2, Mrs. Mary L. Townsend, Miss Lizzy Wilson, Miss Writenhouse, Mr. E. Alper, Mr. Joe Gilmon, Mr. Jacob Glasgow, Mr. Billy Hall, Mr. George Holland, Mr. David Morris, Mr. McLaure.

The difference in the size of this year's crop of peaches to be hauled out of Delaware by the railroads is estimated as compared with last year's "Rube" crop, by comparison with the number of cars used then and now. Last year, it is said, only 189 cars were required to carry the entire Delaware crop. This year, it is pointed out, already 3,500 cars have been requisitioned or pressed into service for peaches.

Large hand bills placed in conspicuous places about town are frequently destroyed by mischievous boys within a few hours after they are put up. These boys, no doubt, think it smart and manly to destroy them, but, to the contrary, it shows depravity and lack of home training. These bills are not valueless, but they represent true worth to their owners, and are entitled to as much protection as any other property.

Several of the farmers in certain sections of progressive little Delaware are agitating the names of their farms on the road gate. They contend not only would persons driving to a place more easily find it, but that it would add more pleasure and interest to people driving from one place to another. Perhaps it would be a good method for the farmers of this county to adopt thereby making some take more interest in their chosen avocation.

HIS NINETEENTH ANNIVERSARY

The following news item is copied from the *Fruitman's Guide*, a New York publication, and will be interesting reading for many of our subscribers:

"New York, August 7.
"Robert T. Cochran returned this week from a short trip to Atlantic City. If ever a man deserved a lay-off it is Mr. Cochran, whose peach deal this season has been a hummer, he having made quite a record, handling no less than 65 straight cars of peaches in one week. Mr. Cochran is from Middletown, Del., and Monday of this week signaled his nineteenth anniversary of business in New York City. He has not only been well among the foremost receivers of Georgia peaches this season, but has also been well to the fore on Missouri, one of his good accounts in the western state being that of the Ozark Improvement Co., of Brandville, for whom last year he made some prices on cars that attracted extraordinary attention through the State. It is safe to say that anyone who tries to get away the account of the Ozark Improvement Co. from Mr. Cochran will have a mighty hard road to travel.

"Mr. Cochran will probably be in the apple deal this season, and is one of the most recent recruits to the ranks of the International Apple Shippers' Association. He will also be among the city's very heaviest receivers in Western New York peaches, that section being one of his old and favorite stamping grounds."

---TWAS CIRCUS DAY.

The Frank Robbins circus visited Odessa yesterday, and gave clean, attractive, and entertaining performances, afternoon and evening. The Robbins show is one of the good old fashioned one ring kind, where you can see all that is "doing," and while there are not one hundred and one "turns" as in the big three ring circuses, what there is is good. The tents were well filled both afternoon and evening, and those present seemed satisfied that they had received their money's worth. The show people claim no following of "shark" and gamblers, and no complaints along that line were made during their visit in Odessa. The Robbins show can be credited with fulfilling all that they promise.—*Odessa Times*. Will exhibit in Middletown Saturday, August 29th.

PERSONALITIES

Miss Edna Wilson is at Atlantic City. Mrs. E. S. Jones is the guest of friends at Atlantic City.

Miss Estella Snyder has been visiting friends in Elkton, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Foard are sojourning at Eaglesmere, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. John Voshell spent this week at Bettendorf, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Beck are sojourning at Atlantic City.

Miss Mary J. Wilson is sojourning at Mountain Lake Park, Md.

Miss Mabel Ford, of Clayton, is visiting her cousin, Miss Bertha Jones.

Miss Mary Adams has been visiting relatives in Washington, D. C.

Miss Julia Lockwood is enjoying a cruise down the Chesapeake Bay.

Dr. J. Allen Johnson and family left Friday for a week's visit at Bettendorf, Md.

Miss Mary Walker, of Wilmington, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. E. G. Allen.

Mr. J. A. LaFevre, of Wilmington, is the guest of relatives here for two weeks.

Miss Mae Kumpel has returned from a two weeks' visit with friends in Plainfield, N. J.

Mr. Elwood Shipley, of Philadelphia, has been visiting his sister, Mrs. C. A. Ritchie.

Miss Margaret Smith, of near Dover, is the guest of her brother, Dr. P. R. Smith and wife.

Mrs. Levi G. Sterner, of Camden, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Parker.

Dr. Edward Gibbs, of Baltimore, Md., is spending several days with relatives near town.

Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Crouch, of Wilmington, are spending two weeks with relatives here.

Mrs. Albert Muehlberg and daughter Della, of Camden, N. J., are spending two weeks with Mrs. Ellen Stanger.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Carter and son Frank, of Philadelphia, spent Tuesday with Mrs. Ellen Stanger and family.

Miss Sallie Crossland, of Wilmington, spent this week with her brother, Mr. Joshua Crossland and wife, on South Broad street.

Miss Virginia E. Jones returned to New York City on Sunday, after a week's visit with her mother, Mrs. H. M. Jones. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Margaret Darlington.

HIGH PRICE FOR CORN

The price of corn on the floor of the Baltimore Chamber of Commerce Wednesday, reached 91 cents—the highest reached since the country recovered from Civil War prices. The high price is due to a tremendous shortening of the visible supply by damage. The entire undamaged supply is only a little over one-fourth of the supply at this time last year. No corn at all is available at this time for export, as more than can be obtained is needed for local consumption. The total stock in Baltimore elevators Wednesday was 37,100 bushels. The supply of corn is short all over the country, and the demand will not be satisfied until the marketing of the new crop. This will be a bumper, however, amounting to 2,700,000 bushels. It is not expected by grain men, though, that the price will come down much below 80 cents, even when the new crop is on the market, for the first part harvested will be gobbled up at practically the high price now prevailing, and so much will be needed for immediate use that the largeness of the crop will not have the usual result.

POLITICAL

The Republican primaries to be held today have given an impetus to matters political and there is stir and activity all over the State.

The interest manifested in the State Convention to be held on Tuesday next in the Opera House in Dover indicates that there will be a tremendous gathering of political workers, and the party in all parts of the State will be represented.

The convention will be called to order by Chairman T. Coleman duPont at 11 o'clock, A. M., and but little beyond the appointment of committees may be done before the noon recess.

In the afternoon, however, the convention will be a scene of activity and in addition to the selection of candidates and adoption of a platform, interesting addresses may be expected.

The vanguard of the party managers will arrive on Monday evening and the foyer of the Hotel Richardson will present one of those scenes that has made this headquarters politically famous.

BASE BALL

This (Saturday) afternoon at 2:30 o'clock the local club will try conclusions with the All-Scholastic team of Wilmington. The visitors are reported as a good aggregation of ball players, and the home team will have a good line up for the contest.

The most novel and interesting ball game on the local grounds this season will be played Wednesday afternoon and evening of next week, August 26th, when the local team will have as its opponent the Cherokee Indian Club, one of the strongest independent teams in the country. As a special attraction Macd Nelson the champion lather pitcher of the world, will pitch the first two innings of the afternoon game, and if the weather should be favorable several hundred lovers of the national game will turn out to witness this contest. In the evening the game will be called at eight o'clock, and 50 arc lights will illuminate the grounds. The novel sight of illuminating a base ball game at night is sure to attract a large crowd, and the management of the local team is to be congratulated in securing this team.

Republican Primaries

The primaries of the Republican party will be held to-day, (Saturday) August 22d, throughout the State, and the State Convention will be held in Dover on Tuesday, August 25th: Sussex County, under the appointment, has 42 delegates; Kent County, 40, and New Castle county, including, Wilmington 78.

Democratic Convention

Thomas F. Bayard, chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee has announced that September 15th would be the date of the State convention to be held at Dover. A call will be issued in a few days. The primaries will be held on September 12th.

WARWICK

Mrs. John Holden is on the sick list. T. Bayard Vinard was at Rehoboth this week.

Mr. H. C. Kirby was in Wilmington this week.

Mr. John R. H. Price is sojourning at Atlantic City.

Miss Mable Kennedy is visiting Mrs. John L. Lattomus.

Mr. T. P. DeVine is entertaining relatives from Philadelphia.

The young people enjoyed a straw ride to Fox Hole on Thursday.

Miss Nellie Waits is visiting Mrs. George Moore in Middletown.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Manlove were brief visitors in town on Sunday last.

Misses Estella and Ada Marsh visited Miss Agnes Crowley, in Middletown, on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Cannon, of Philadelphia, visited Mrs. Mary A. Lofland on Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Elwood Williams accompanied by Mrs. Loe, of Washington, D. C., visited Mrs. W. H. Merritt this week.

Mrs. Simon Duryea and daughter, Miss Clara, and Mrs. John R. H. Price have returned home, after a week's stay at Rehoboth.

The local Base Ball Club will cross bats with the Chesapeake City Club on the home diamond this (Saturday) afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Admission 10 cents to all.

TOWNSEND

Miss Anna G. VanDyke is the guest of relatives at Bettendorf, Md.

Miss Mary Money is sojourning at Atlantic City for two weeks.

Miss Beulah Hodgson visited friends in Wilmington over Sunday.

Dr. T. A. Enos spent several days this week with relatives in Lewes.

Mrs. D. B. Jones is spending this week with relatives in Cecilton, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Donovan spent Sunday with their mother at Houston.

Mrs. James A. Hart is visiting Miss Sallie Little at Lebanon, Pa., this week.

Miss Gladys Pollitt, of Philadelphia, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. C. Todd.

Frank Reynolds, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his parents, William Reynolds and wife.

R. Kemp Donovan returned home on Wednesday, after a delightful visit with relatives at Houston.

Mrs. James Wilson and son Reynolds, of Smyrna, are spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Edward Hart.

Dr. Clarence Pritchard and wife, of Philadelphia, are spending this week with their father, I. Pritchard.

A number of folks from town are sojourning at Rehoboth for ten days. Among those participating in this most enjoyable outing, are: Mrs. W. A. Scott, Mrs. L. L. Maloney and little daughter, and Misses Ethelwyn J. Maloney, Mable Latham, of West Virginia; Meta MacSorley, Arlelee Lattomus, and Messrs. Tinsley and Hart Scott, Daniel Jones and Carlyton MacSorley.

ELECTED STATE CONDUCTOR

At the thirteenth annual session of the Maryland State Camp, P. O. S. of A., W. J. B. Lofland of Warwick, Md., was elected State Conductor to serve for the ensuing year.



ODESSA

Mrs. George Hahn is spending sometime with relatives in Baltimore.

Little Miss Naomi Morgan is spending sometime with relatives in Chester, Pa.

Mrs. Mary Hahn has returned home, after visiting relatives in Philadelphia.

Rev. D. J. Givan attended Brandywine Summit Camp several days of last week.

John Kieloff, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday last at the home of his parents here.

Mrs. A. B. Berry has returned home from a visit with friends in Pauleboro, N. J.

Miss Mary E. Stringfellow, of Wilmington, is spending a week with relatives here.

Mrs. G. Krumm, of Philadelphia, is visiting at the home of John Heldmyer and family.

Miss Martha Bachlenbridge, of Philadelphia, is visiting her friend, Miss Corine Kielhob.

George Gibson, of Wilmington, spent Sunday last with his parents, Joseph L. Gibson and wife.

D. W. Corbit and wife left last week for Saratoga, N. Y., where they will spend some time.

Miss Emma B. Eccles has returned home, after a ten days' visit at Brandywine Summit camp.

Mr. Louis Walker, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday and Monday last with I. G. Webb and family.

Rev. Alfred Smith, Temperance Evangelist, preached in St. Pauls M. E. Church on Sunday evening last.

Miss Anna Gremminger, of Philadelphia, is spending sometime with her mother, Mrs. S. Gremminger.

Miss Catherine Whitlock, of near town, is entertaining her friend, Miss Laura Rue, of Ambler, Pa.

Mr. L. Scott Townsend, of Wilmington spent one day of last week with his parents, George L. Townsend and wife.

Harry Lightcap, wife and son Delaware, were Sunday visitors at the home of John Morris and family at Smyrna.

Mrs. L. G. Webb and two daughters spent Tuesday of this week at the home of her mother, Mrs. M. Ginn, at Townsend.

Mr. Frank Hoyt, and son Stokes, of Bridgeton, N. J., spent several days of this week with J. G. Armstrong and family.

Mr. Frank Hoffecker and wife, of Wilmington, were entertained on Sunday last at the home of his sister, Mrs. Mary Morgan.

Misses Haddassa and Addie Wagner and Master George Wagner, of Philadelphia, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Eliza Appleton.

Mrs. Joseph Gremminger and Miss Lillie Amos, of Chester, Pa., were visitors at the home of John Biaguar and family on Saturday and Sunday last.

William H. Eccles and wife entertained on Sunday last, Mrs. Elizabeth Rutledge, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Howard D. Rutledge, and daughters Bertina and Dorothy, of the Delawares.

The Brotherhood of St. Pauls M. E. Church was very pleasantly entertained on Thursday evening of last week at the home of Mr. Robert George, near town, there being about 70 present.

On to-morrow (Sunday) morning Rev. John Clash, of Delmar, will be present at St. Pauls M. E. Church to assist the pastor to receive on full membership to the church the young converts and any other who desire to unite with the church. Mr. Clark came here in the winter to assist with revival meetings, and during his stay here much good was done, and he gained many friends, all of whom will gladly welcome him in their midst again. He will also be present at church in the evening, service beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Everyone is most cordially invited to come.

CECILTON

Mrs. C. C. Adkins has been visiting Miss Lella McCoy.

Miss Clara Manlove is the guest of relatives in Lancaster, Pa.

Miss Rose Elliott, of Philadelphia, is visiting Miss Olive Millikan.

Edgar Dawson, of Church Hill, spent several days with friends here.

Miss Julia Stradley, of near Chester, is visiting Miss Myrtle Stradley.

Mr. Short, of Woodbury, N. J., was the guest of Miss Mattie Vandegrift last week.

Miss Leona Buckworth was the guest of Miss Olive Fillingame several days last week.

Mrs. E. S. Short, Miss Lillie Short and Master Carroll Short are guests of relatives in Delaware.

Rev. G. T. Alderson, wife and family, of Perryville, have been visiting relatives and friends here.

Mr. Elwood Padley and wife, of near Earleville, were the guests of Mr. Frank Padley and wife on Sunday.

Miss E. N. Crawford and son Arnold are spending sometime with her father, Mr. R. Bond in Port Deposit.

Misses Eva and Minnie Peters, of Philadelphia, are visiting their cousin, Miss Christina Lutherling, near town.

Miss Mary Dawson, of Church Hill, has returned to her home, accompanied by Misses Emma and Blanche Brown.

Mr. A. W. Jones and wife, of Massey, spent one day last week with his parents, Mr. Thomas P. Jones and wife.

Mr. J. Bourman, wife and children and Mrs. Joseph Bechman, of Philadelphia, are the guests of Mr. John Stephens and wife, near town.

Misses Elizabeth Anderson, Arrie McCoy and Frances Griffith and Mr. Owen Griffith have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Moffit, near Still Pond.

Mr. J. P. Steele and daughter, Miss Mary, of Chesapeake City, and Miss Eugene Pearce, of Germantown, were guests of Mr. J. T. Watts and wife last week.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. S. POARD.
Wheat—No. 1 \$.92 1/2 Corn—No. 2 Yellow, shelled 80
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Timothy Seed \$3.25
Clover Seed .22
Oats .22
MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEY.
Eggs, per doz. 20c
Country Butter, per lb. 21c
Creamery Butter, per lb. 32c
Lard, per lb. 10c
Live Chickens, per lb. 12c
Potatoes 45

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Mostly of shiny leather; most all sizes.
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